concessional land/free hold land provided by the respective State Governments at the time of establishment of PSEs.

Revival of PSUs

456. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has proposed to the Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission that revival of sick PSUs as per recommendation of Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises (BRPSE) could be made partly from budgetary funds and rest by loans from the commercial banks;

(b) whether BRPSE has earlier considered and recommended 15 PSEs for revival;

(c) if so, whether the Cabinet has already approved the proposals of his Ministry;

(d) by when Government are likely to revive these 15 PSUs; and

(e) whether PSU revival would cost Government of Rs. 9000 crores during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) No Sir, this Ministry has not sent any such proposal to the Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission.

(b) So far, 17 Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) under the Department of Heavy Industry have been considered by Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises (BRPSE) and their recommendation have been/ are being processed.

(c) Government has so far approved revival of 5 PSEs.

(d) The Recommendations are processed on a case to case basis. Revival package is under implementation in 5 PSEs already approved. In some other PSEs, BRPSE has recommended for exploring the possibility of formation of Joint Venture.

(e) The total revival cost would be firmed up only after all cases are considered by BRPSE and approved by the Government.

Government directors on boards of PSEs.

457. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the guidelines for Government directors on the board of directors of the PSEs;

(b) whether Government have fixed any eligibility criterion of requisite academic and professional qualifications for holding such position;

(c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor and whether Government propose to fix such criterion for Government directors;

(d) whether their presence undermines autonomy of the PSEs; and

(e) the manner in which Government assess performance of Government directors on the Boards of PSEs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) As per Government policy each Board should have Government Directors, whose number should not exceed 1/6th of the actual strength of the Board subject to a maximum of 2. They are appointed on *ex-officio* basis by the Administrative Ministries and are generally the officers dealing with the concerned enterprise. In case of PSEs whether it is considered essential to give representation on the Boards to other concerned Government agencies/Ministries/State Governments one representative from the group could also be appointed on the Board as part-time Government Director within overall prescribed limit.

(d) and (e) The role of the Government Director has been laid down and he should identify himself with the objects and goals of the enterprise, engage in joint thinking on equal terms and not assume a superior status.